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Dean Fowler, Project Manager  
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Dear Mr. Fowler:

RE: Colbert Landfill/Proposed Modifications to Phase II

In regard to the proposed modifications to Phase II as described in the Consultant's October 11, 1993 technical memorandum to the County entitled "Modifications to Phase II", and the County's subsequent November 19, 1993 transmittal letter to Ecology and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Ecology and EPA have reviewed the memorandum. Our findings follow:

Although the Memorandum's brief description of the negotiation process surrounding the unsuccessful attempt to secure the property owner's permission to install extraction well CP-E4 is accurate, EPA and Ecology believe a more detailed account is warranted. We suggest a telephone conference to discuss this matter.

EPA and Ecology consider the extraction well CP-E4 and the dry extraction well, CP-W4, to be "deletions by default" from current extraction well construction. If after the extraction system is in operation, our evaluation of system performance warrants installation of these wells, we would direct and support the County to install them.

While the computer generated contours depict favorable capture of the contaminant plumes, the efficiency of contaminant capture and proof of compliance lies solely in the groundwater monitoring data that will be collected after the extraction system is in operation. After operation commences, the number and position of extraction and monitoring wells may be subject to change.

Finally, to enhance communication, it is requested that future correspondence from the County to EPA and Ecology regarding technical matters and administrative issues be signed by the County's project manager.

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If you have any questions concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact Neil Thompson at 206-553-7717 or myself at 206-407-7239.

Sincerely, *saw for*  
*Michael Kuntz*  
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cc: Neil Thompson, EPA